## Reporting

Suspected Fraudulent Insurance Claims

# California Department of Insurance Fraud Division



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## **Mission**

The mission

of the California Department of Insurance

Fraud Division

is to protect the public

from economic loss and distress

by actively investigating and arresting

those who commit insurance fraud

and to reduce

the overall incidence of insurance fraud

through anti-fraud outreach

to the public, private and governmental sectors.

Every person

who reports suspected fraudulent insurance claims

to the Fraud Division

furthers this mission.



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## **Reporting Requirements**

Who Must Report	Anyone may report suspected fraudulent insurance claims and premium fraud to the California Department of Insurance (CDI) Fraud Division. All licensed insurers doing business in California and all self-insured employers (for Workers' Compensation cases only) that suspect fraudulent claim activity must report it. A self-insured's third-party administrator (TPA) or other contractor shall submit FD-1 referral forms on the self-insured's behalf. Refer to Appendix A. (see page 13) for detailed requirements and authority cites.
What Fraud Must Be Reported	Any suspected fraudulent insurance claim activity victimizing or involving any California insured, insurer, employee and permissibly self-insured shall be reported, regardless of the location where the fraud was allegedly committed.
What Information Is Required	The Form FD-1 Suspected Fraudulent Claim (SFC) Referral Form (see pages 6-8 for a sample completed form) requests information about the loss/injury, alleged victim, suspicious fraudulent activity, and names and identifying information of the parties involved. In addition, reporting parties who have made investigative efforts are encouraged to attach additional documentation to the referral.
When Must a Report Be Made	Workers' Compensation - 30 days after insurer knows or reasonably believes a fraudulent act was committed (CIC 1877.3 (b)(1) and 1877.3 (d)). Furnished to CDI and District Attorney.  All others - 60 days after insurer determines claim appears fraudulent (1872.4 (a)). Furnished to CDI.  If you have documented results of an investigation that confirm your suspicions of fraud, please immediately contact your Fraud Division Regional Office in person or by phone to discuss it (see the inside cover and the following page for contact and address information).
Immunity from Civil Liability	The California Insurance Code (CIC) contains provisions affording limited immunity from civil liability for insurers and their authorized agents who provide information to the CDI Fraud Division. These provisions do vary. Please reference the language to the applicable provision (CIC Sections §1872.5, 1873.2, 1877.5, 1874.4, 1875.4, 1875.18 and 1876.4).
Where to Obtain Additional FD-1 Forms	You may reproduce the 4-page Form FD-1 (see Appendix D., page 19, for a camera-ready version). For additional copies of this booklet, call (916) 854-5760 or write to the address below. The Form FD-1 may also be accessed on the Departments web site, www.insurance.ca.gov.
Where to Submit Completed Referral Forms	Completed Form FD-1s should be mailed to the following address:  CDI Fraud Division Intake Unit  P.O. Box 277320  Sacramento CA 95827-7320

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## How CDI Uses This Information

FD-1 referrals submitted by insurers, law enforcement agencies, the public and others provide the foundation for the CDI Fraud Division's anti-fraud program. **The value of accurate, timely and complete referrals cannot be overstated.** Unreported incidents and incomplete and/or inaccurate information on FD-1s impedes CDI's ability to gather and report intelligence information; match parties to previous fraudulent activity; and effectively evaluate whether to further investigate the circumstances.

On receipt, the Centralized Intake Unit immediately reviews referrals for accuracy and completeness. Within 12 business days, data from incoming FD-1s are entered into the Fraud Division's Insurance Fraud Information System (IFIS) and the referrals are directed to the appropriate CDI Fraud Division regional office. Investigative staff conduct preliminary intelligence gathering, evaluate the FD-1 information, make a decision about whether to initiate a formal investigation, and notify the reporting party about the action CDI will take.

#### **Getting Help**

If you have questions about reporting requirements or need help completing an FD-1 referral form, please contact the CDI Fraud Division regional office which serves your county.

If your California county is—	Your Regional Office is	
Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, El Dorado, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, Yuba	Sacramento	(916) 854-5700
Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano, Sonoma	Benicia	(707) 751-2000
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**If you are calling from another state or country** and are unsure which Regional Office to contact, please call our Fraud Division headquarters in Sacramento at (916) 854-5760.

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## Sample of Completed Form FD-1 (Page 1)

Suspected Fraudulant Claim (SEC)			CDI US	E ONLY			
Suspected Fraudulent Claim (SFC) Referral Form (FD-1)							
Acterial Form (FB-1)	Case #		County Co			SFC#	
	L AU		WORKERS' AUTO FRAUD				
REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Please print legibly or type							
o submit this form WITHIN 60 DAYS after determining that a c				requires rep	orting of	suspected	fraudulent Worke
Compensation claims to <b>BOTH</b> the CDI Fraud Division and the lo		ING PARTY INFOR					
FRAUD TYPE CODE: 14 REPORTING PARTY			CK ONE: NE	W REFERI	RAL	] AMEN	IDED REFERRA
REPORTING PARTY: Rest Assured Services							11122
			Certificate of A			Self-	Insured/TPA#
ADDRESS: 123 Assured Street, Suite 100	_ CITY:	Anycity		STATE:	_CA_	ZIP:	11111
E-MAIL ADDRESS (IF APPLICABLE):	7 7 7 7 7 7						:
SEC	TION II. L	OSS/INJURY INFOR	RMATION				
ALLEGED VICTIM: C&W Trucking Company		8	Certificate of Au	thority (CA) #			22-13-000 Insured/TPA#
ADDRESS: 456 Safe Street, Suite 101	CITY:	Anycity		STATE:	CA		
CLAIM #: AB1234567 PO	OLICY #:	X9876543		DATE O	LOSS/I	NJURY:	10 / 01 / 99
LOCATION WHERE LOSS/INJURY OCCURRED:							
ADDRESS: 123 Assured Street, Suite 100	CITY:	Anycity		STATE:	CA	ZIP:	11111
PREMIUM POTENTIAL		ACTUAL PAID	0500	FR	SPECTE AUDUL	ENT	
LOSS: LOSS: 47000		_ TO DATE:	8500	LC	SS TO I	DATE:	
SYNOPSIS: State the facts (who, what, when, where, how, where of fraudulent in additional summary sheets if needed.	v) that supr	ort your suspicion of the activity by any o	fraudulent claim a	ctivity inclu	ding any ude rele	material vant clair	misrepresentation n numbers. Atta
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## Sample of Completed Form FD-1 (Page 2)

Suspected Fraudulent Claim (SFC)			CDI	USE ONLY
Referral Form (FD-1)	Case #		County	Code SFC #
Parties to the Loss/Injury	☐ AU			S' COMPENSATION SPECIAL OP UD PROGRAM OTHER
Claim #: AB1234567	Policy #:	X9876	543	Date of Loss/Injury: 10 / 01 / 99
SECTION VI. IN	SURED/E	MPLOYER INFO	RMATION (	Party A)
PARTY A.   INSURED	EMPLOY	ER (CHECK ONE	If Workers' Co	mpensation, must show employer here.)
Name: C & W Trucking Company				Phone #: (222) 222-2222
Address: 456 Safe Street, Suite 101	_ City: .	Anycity		State: <u>CA</u> Zip: <u>22222</u>
DOB/Age:S	SN: _			Tax ID #:
DL#: State: Licens	e Plate #:_	CNWT1 S	ate: CA	VIN #:
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:				Party Claiming Injury: Yes No
SECTION VII. OTHER	PARTIES	TO THE LOSS/II	IJURY (Add	litional Parties)
PARTY B. 30 (Enter party code in box)				
Name: Smith, Mike				Phone #: (555) 555-5555
Address: 2000 Repeater Street	City:	Overland		State: <u>CA</u> Zip: <u>55555</u>
DOB/Age: June 30, 1966 S	SN:	555-55-5	555	Tax ID #:
DL #: B5555555 State: <u>CA</u> Licens	e Plate #: _	GOTU5 S	ate: CA	VIN #:
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's: Mike Green, Mike	lohnson			Party Claiming Injury: X Yes No
DADTY 6 32 m				
PARTY C. 32 (Enter party code in box)				7,000 ,000,000
Name: Smith, Susie				
Address: 2000 Repeater Street	- S			
DOB/Age: July 18, 1968				
			ate:	VIN #:
	_			n (1)
DL#: <u>C6666666</u> State: <u>CA</u> Licens DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:	_			Party Claiming Injury: Yes No
	_			Party Claiming Injury: Yes No
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:  PARTY D. 06 (Enter party code in box)				
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:  PARTY D. 06 (Enter party code in box)  Name: Jonee, Noel				Party Claiming Injury:
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:  PARTY D. 06 (Enter party code in box)  Name: Jonee, Noel  Address: 15 Gangland Way	_ City:			Phone #:(777) 777-7777  State:CAZip:77777
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:  PARTY D. 06 (Enter party code in box)  Name: Jonee, Noel  Address: 15 Gangland Way  DOB/Age: July 18, 1968	_ City: _	Overland 777-77-7		Phone #:(777) 777-7777  State:CAZip:77777  Tax ID #:
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:  PARTY D. 06 (Enter party code in box)  Name: Jonee, Noel  Address: 15 Gangland Way  DOB/Age: July 18, 1968	_ City: SSN: e Plate #:	Overland 777-77-7	777 tate:	Phone #:(777) 777-7777  State:CAZip:77777  Tax ID #:

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## Sample of Completed Form FD-1 (Page 3)

Suspected Fraudulent Claim (SFC)		<u>C</u>	DI USE ONLY
Referral Form (FD-1)	Case #	Coun	ty Code SFC #
Parties to the Loss/Injury (continued)			ERS' COMPENSATION  SPECIAL OP AUD PROGRAM  OTHER
Claim #: AB 1234567	Policy #:	X9876543	Date of Loss/Injury:10 / 01 / 99
SECTION VII. OTHER	PARTIES TO TI	HE LOSS/INJURY (A	dditional Parties)
PARTY E. 02 (Enter party code in box)			
Name: Sanford, Fred			Phone #:()
Address:	City:		State: Zip:
DOB/Age: 6/20/66 S	SN:	888-88-8888	Tax ID #:
DL #: State: Licens	e Plate #:	State:	VIN #:
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:			Party Claiming Injury: Yes No
PARTY F. 31 (Enter party code in box)			
Name: Innocent, Truly			Phone #: (444) 444-4444
Address: 2 Runover Lane			
DOB/Age: February 20, 1959 S			
DL #: A4444444 State: <u>CA</u> Licens	(4)		
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:	.,		
PARTY . (Enter party code in box)			
Name:			Phone #:( )
Address:	City:		State: Zip:
DOB/Age: S	SN:		Tax ID #:
DL#: State: Licens	e Plate #:	State:	VIN #:
			Party Claiming Injury: Yes No
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:			
DBAs/Multiple Numbers/AKA's:  PARTY . (Enter party code in box)			
PARTY . (Enter party code in box)			Phone #: ( )
PARTY . (Enter party code in box)  Name:			7:
PARTY (Enter party code in box)  Name:  Address:	_ City:		
PARTY . (Enter party code in box)  Name:  Address:  DOB/Age:	_ City:		State: Zip: Tax ID #:
PARTY . (Enter party code in box)  Name:  Address:  DOB/Age:	City: SSN: te Plate #:	State:	State: Zip: Tax ID #: VIN #:

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## Instructions for Completing Form FD-1: Suspected Fraudulent Claim Referral

SECTION I. Re	porting Party Information
Using The FD-1 Form Via Computer	This form was created in Microsoft Word 97. It is recommended that you use the <b>"Tab"</b> key to navigate between fields and not the "Enter" key when using the FD-1 form on your computer.
Fraud Type Code	Enter the most appropriate Suspected Fraud Type code. For a list of codes, refer to Appendix B. Code Listing (see page 14-15). If you are unsure which code to use, refer to Appendix C. Code Definitions (see pages 16–18).
Reporting Party Code	Enter the most appropriate Reporting Party code. For a list of codes, refer to Appendix B. Code Listing (see page 16-18). If you are a third-party administrator (TPA) or other contractor, select, from codes 1, 2, 3, or 4, the code that best describes the nature of the insurer for which you are working.
New Referral/ Amended Referral Check One:	Check the "New Referral" box if this is the first referral you have made for this incident of suspected fraud. Check the "Amended Referral" box if you have previously reported this incident and are adding, deleting or correcting information you previously provided.
Reporting Party	To ensure proper identification, enter the full and complete name of the reporting carrier, self-insured, TPA, law enforcement agency, or other entity/individual making the referral. When entering a name, enter this information in the format of last name, first name and middle initial. To ensure proper identification, <b>do not</b> use acronyms or initials unless they are part of the formal name.
Cert. Of Authority (CA) #	If you are an insurer authorized to transact business in California, enter your CDI-assigned Certificate of Authority (CA) number.
Self-Insured #/ TPA#	If you are self-insured, enter one of the following: self-insured number assigned by either the California Department of Industrial Relations or California Department of Motor Vehicles, or TPA number assigned by the California Department of Industrial Relations.
Address/City/ State/ZIP/E-mail	Enter your mailing address and e-mail address (if applicable).
SECTION II. L	oss/Injury Information
Alleged Victim	Enter the name of the insurance carrier or self-insured that you suspect is being victimized. In the case of an employer defrauding an employee (Suspected Fraud Type Code 51), enter the name of the employee whom you suspect is being victimized. Enter this information in the format of last name, first name and middle initial. To ensure proper identification, <b>do not</b> use acronyms or initials unless they are part of the formal name.
Cert. Of Authority (CA) #	If the alleged victim is an insurer licensed to transact business in California, enter the CDI-assigned CA number.
Self-Insured #/ TPA#	If the "Alleged Victim" is self-insured, enter one of the following: self-insured number assigned by either the California Department of Industrial Relations or California Department of Motor Vehicles, or TPA number assigned by the California Department of Industrial Relations.

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Claim Number	Enter the claim number issued by the insurer. For amended referrals, be sure to include the identical claim number as originally reported on the initial referral.
Policy Number	Enter the policy number issued by the insurer. For amended referrals, be sure to include the identical policy number as originally reported on the initial referral.
Premium Dollar Loss	For premium fraud cases only (Suspected Fraud Type Code 56), enter the potential loss in total premium dollars if the fraud had gone undiscovered. Otherwise, leave blank.
Location Of Loss/ Injury	Indicate the name of the city, state and zip code where the loss or injury is alleged to have occurred. If the specific address is not known, please note such details as the intersection, mall name, or other location identifying information. NOTE: The accuracy of this information is critical, as it will determine which CDI Fraud Division regional office is assigned to handle the case.
Date of Loss/ Injury	Enter the reported date of loss or injury. If more than one date has been reported for the loss or injury, enter the earliest alleged date.
Potential Loss	Enter the potential dollar loss/exposure for this claim if the fraud had gone undiscovered.
Actual Paid to Date	Enter the total dollar amount paid on the claim as of the referral date. Include amounts you suspect to be fraudulent as well as those that may be legitimate. For premium fraud cases (Suspected Fraud Type Code 56), leave this field blank.
Suspected Fraudulent Loss To Date	Of the amount you reported on the "Actual Paid to Date" line, enter the dollar amount you suspect to be fraudulent.
SECTION III. S Synopsis	State the <u>facts</u> that support your suspicion(s) of fraudulent insurance claim or premium fraud activity. Detail the material misrepresentation(s) made by the parties. Be specific and concise. Include information addressing the basic questions: who, what, when, where, why, how much and how often. Attach additional summary sheets if needed to complete the synopsis.
	<ul> <li>Suspected Fraud Type Code 14 (Auto Collision/Right-of-Way): Accident appears staged. Suspect driver and passenger deny involvement in any previous accidents, but Index links them to 5 others including an earlier incident (7/23/98) at this same location. Treating chiropractor is refusing to provide medical records.</li> <li>Suspected Fraud Type Code 50 (Workers' Compensation/Claimant Fraud): Doctor reports claimant malingering. Claimant maintains he cannot walk. Sub Rosa video on day of medical appointment shows claimant faking inability to walk; on video, claimant runs and walks normally.</li> <li>Suspected Fraud Type Code 56 (Workers' Compensation/Premium Fraud): Suspect misclassification of workers' hourly rates to avoid premium costs.</li> </ul>
	In all cases, provide any known details, of each party's history of involvement in fraudulent insurance claims.
	<ul> <li>Examples:</li> <li>Insured has reported four other claims in last two years including: XYZ Company, Claim #122321/ABC Insurer, loss dates 7/23/98, 9/19/97 and 8/24/98.</li> <li>Index shows 5 hits on similar names, three of which are for the same address as the insured (copies attached).</li> <li>NICB shows several previous claims involving the suspect driver and passenger.</li> </ul>

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Disaster-Related Activity	Check the "yes" box only if suspected fraudulent claim activity is related to a <b>major</b> disaster, i.e., a disaster that has produced a gubernatorial or presidential declaration of emergency. Indicate the type of disaster to which the activity is related: natural (earthquake, flood, firestorm, wind or other natural disaster) or non-natural (civil unrest, chemical spills, airborne contamination, etc.).
Attachments	Attach any documentation you have of investigative efforts you have completed. If you are submitting a complete copy of the claim file to the District Attorney, reciprocate by including a complete copy with this referral to CDI.
SECTION IV. R	Reports to Other Agencies
Other Law	Check this box if you have reported this suspected fraudulent claim to any other
Enforcement Agency	law enforcement agency and enter the specific name of the agency to which this suspected fraudulent claim was referred.
District Attorney's Office	Check this box if you have reported this suspected fraudulent claim to any District Attorney's Office (required for workers' compensation claims under CIC 1877.3(b)(1)), and enter the name of the county served by the District Attorney's office to which the claim was referred.
NICB	Check this box if you have reported this suspected fraudulent claim to the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB).
Other	Check this box if you have reported this suspected fraudulent claim to any other agency and enter the specific name of the agency to which the claim was referred.
SECTION V. C	ontact Information
Contact	Enter the name, title and telephone number of the person who should be contacted by a CDI investigator(s) needing additional information relative to the claim.
File Handler	If different from the contact person listed previously, enter the name and phone number of the file handler (the adjuster/claims representative assigned to the claim who can provide requested information and documentation).
Completed By	Enter the name and phone number of the person completing the Form FD-1, if different from both the contact person and file handler. Enter this information in the format of last name, first name and middle initial.
Date Form Completed	Indicate the date form was completed.
SECTION VI. I	nsured/Employer Information (Party A)
Claim/Policy	Enter the claim and policy numbers you reported on the first page of the FD-1. If
Number	you are submitting an amended referral, these numbers should be identical to those originally reported on the initial referral.
Date of Loss/Injury	Enter the date of loss/injury you reported on page 1 of the FD-1.
Insured/Employer	The employer must be listed in the Party A section for any Workers'
Check Box	<u>Compensation fraudulent claim referral.</u> If you are reporting a suspicious workers' compensation claim, check the employer box. Otherwise, check whichever box is appropriate.
Name	The employer must be listed in the Party A section for any Workers' Compensation fraudulent claim referral. If you are reporting a suspicious workers' compensation claim, enter the name of the employer. Otherwise, enter the appropriate name.

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Party Claiming Injury	Check the "yes" box if Party A is claiming to be injured or believed to have died as a result of the situation being reported. Otherwise, check the "no" box. When an injury/death is being claimed, check the "yes" box regardless of whether you believe the injury/death to be real.
Additional Instructions	Include all of the requested information if you know it. When providing AKAs, include all nicknames, monikers, maiden names and other aliases. On the "DBAs/Multiple#s/AKAs" line, provide any company name(s) under which Party A is "doing business as" (DBA) as well as additional nicknames, monikers, maiden names and/or other aliases, dates of birth, social security or other numbers Party A may be using, e.g., DBA XYZ and Company; SSN 444-44-4444; DL A0123456.
SECTION VII.	Other Parties to the Loss/Injury (Additional Parties) Page 2-3
Instructions	Make a separate entry for every other party to the loss/injury. Be sure to enter the appropriate Party Code in the box (for a list of party codes, refer to the Appendix B. Code Listing, pages 12-13). As you did for Party A, enter all other requested information known about the party, including whether or not he/she claims to be injured. On the "DBAs/Multiple#s/AKAs" line, provide any company name(s) under which Party is "doing business as" (DBA) as well as additional nicknames, monikers, maiden names and/or aliases, dates of birth, social security or other numbers Party A may be using, e.g., DBA XYZ and Company; SSN 444-44-4444; DL A0123456.
Claim/Policy Number	Enter the claim and policy numbers you reported on the first page of the FD-1. If you are submitting an amended referral, these numbers should be identical to those originally reported on the initial referral.
Date of Loss/Injury	Enter the date of loss/injury you reported on page 1 of the FD-1.
Page 3 Parties to the Loss Continued	You may copy this page as needed to report additional parties to the loss/injury.

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## **APPENDIX A. Reporting Requirements & Authorities**

	<b>W</b>	You are required	Within the following	A 41o a mide -
•	A company licensed to write insurance in California	A separate FD-1 Referral Form for every suspected fraudulent claim	For workers'     compensation claims ,     within 30 days of     knowing or reasonably     believing a claim to be     fraudulent     For any other type of     suspected fraudulent     claim, within 60 days of     determining that a claim     appears to be fraudulent	Authority  CIC §1872.4(a) CIC §1877.3(d)
•	An insurer admitted to transact workers' compensation insurance in California The State Compensation Insurance Fund An employer that has secured a certificate of consent to self-insure pursuant to Section 3700 (b) or (c) of the Labor Code A third-party administrator that has secured a certificate pursuant to Section 3702.1 of the Labor Code	A separate FD-1 Referral Form for each suspected fraudulent Workers' Compensation claim	Within 30 days of knowing or reasonably believing a person or entity has committed a fraudulent act relating to a workers' compensation claim	CIC §1877.1(c) CIC §1877.3(b) CIC §1877.3(c) CIC §1877.3(d)
•	Any California police, sheriff, disciplinary body governed by the provisions of the Business and Professions Code, or any California law enforcement agency	All papers, documents, reports, complaints, or other facts or evidence CDI requests.	None specified in law	CIC §1872.4(d)
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•	California Departments of Highway Patrol, Motor Vehicles, and Justice Any California city or county law enforcement agency Any California city or county agency employing peace officers as designated in Penal Code Sections 830.1 (a) and (b); 830.2 (a); and 830.3 (b), (d), (k) Any other California law enforcement agency Any licensing agency governed by the Business and Professions Code	Any or all information released to or received from an insurer or authorized agent of an insurer relating to any specific insurance fraud, except for motor vehicle fraud and workers' compensation fraud must also be submitted to CDI	Within 10 days of receipt of the information from the insurer or agent	CIC §1873.4

## **APPENDIX B. Code Listing**

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- This listing contains codes for the three fields on the Form FD-1 that require them: Suspected Fraud Type, Reporting Party, and Party to the Loss.
- Detailed definitions for Suspected Fraud Type is included in Appendix C. (refer to pages 14-16). Code names assigned to the other two fields are self-explanatory.
- Establishing new codes for this revision of the Form FD-1, while maintaining the historical integrity of CDI's database, required leaving the majority of the original codes and their meanings intact. You will also notice that "other" codes, which are found at the end of a list, are numerically out of sequence. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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## **APPENDIX B. Code Listing**

## **Suspected Fraud Type Code**

Auto Collision	
Swoop & Squat	10
Sudden Stop	11
Backing	12
Pedestrian vs. Auto	13
Right of Way	14
Phantom Vehicle	15
Hit & Run	16
Paper Collision	17
Organized Ring	18
Medical Provider	19
Auto Property	
Faked Damages	20
Inflated Damages	21
Vehicle Theft	22
Vehicle Arson	23
Auto Property / Vandalism	24
Agent / Broker	25
Embezzlement	26
Trailered Watercraft / Theft	27
Damage	21
Trailered Watercraft Arson	28
Other Auto Property	29
Medical / Health	
Slip & Fall	30
Inflated Billing	32
Disability	33
Food Contamination	34
Pharmacy	35
Dental	36
Embezzlement	37
Other Medical / Health	31
Life	
Questionable Death	40
Suspicious/False Policy	42
Application	
Other Life	41
Workers' Compensation	
Claimant Fraud	50
Employer Defrauding	51
Employee	
Legal Provider	52
Medical Provider	53
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Workers' Compensation (con't)	
Pharmacy	54
Premium Fraud	56
Embezzlement	57
Uninsured Employer	58
Other Workers' Comp	55
Miscellaneous	
Casualty	60
Agricultural / Livestock	61
Fire	
Commercial Fire	70
Arson for Hire	71
Residential Fire	72
Inflated Fire Loss	73
Property	
Theft – Residential	80
Theft – Commercial	81
Theft – Commercial Carrier	82
Watercraft / Aircraft Theft	83
Watercraft / Aircraft Arson	84
Vandalism	86
Property Theft From Vehicle	87
Agent / Broker	88
Other Property Damage	85
Mold Related	89
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## **Reporting Party Code**

Carrier / Licensed Insurer	01
Private Sector Self-Insured	02
Public Sector Self-Insured	03
Third Party Administrator	04
State Fund (SCIF)	05
District Attorney's Office	06
Law Enforcement Agency	07
Incoming CDI Hotline Call	08
(CDI Use Only)	
Other CDI Information Source	09
(CDI Use Only)	
Other Reporting Party	10

## Party To The Loss / Injury Code

General	
Insured	00
Claimant	01
Witness	02
Interpreter	13
Employer	15
Claims Adjuster	16
Agent / Broker	20
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Other	09
Medical	
Medical Clinic	03
Medical Doctor	05
Chiropractor	06
Psychologist	11
Physical Therapist	12
Osteopath	17
Physician's Assistant	18
Nurse Practitioner	19
Clinic Administrator	22
Dentist	23
Medical Management	24
Company	24
Vocational Rehab Counselor	25
Pharmacy / Pharmacist	26
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Laboratory	27
Other Medical	28
Legal	
Attorney	07
Law Firm	10
Legal Administrator	14
Paralegal	26
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Auto	
Suspect Driver	30
Victim Driver	31
Suspect Passenger	32
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Body Shop	08
Repair Shop / Mechanic	34
Capper	21

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### **APPENDIX C. Suspected Fraud Type Code Definitions**

#### **Auto Collision**

A staged auto collision is defined as a planned incident designed to fraudulently obtain monies from an insurance entity. A planned incident may take on various forms:

- "Swoop" vehicle swerves in front of "squat" vehicle causing "squat" vehicle to slam on its brakes, which causes a rear-end collision with the victims vehicle.
- "Squat" vehicle slows down to close gap between his vehicle and victim's vehicle, then brakes suddenly causing a rear-end collision with victim.
- 12 Victim's vehicle collides with suspect's vehicle while backing out of a driveway or while backing out of a parking space in a parking lot.
- 13 Pedestrian versus auto.
- Suspect driver appears to give right-of-way to victim driver, usually in an intersection, causing vehicles to collide; suspect later claims no right-of-way was offered.
- 15 Solo vehicle crashes due to vehicle of unknown origin/description.
- 16 "Hit and run" vehicle strikes victim's car and leaves scene of the accident.
- Parties conspire to create illusion of legitimate accident, using either pre-damaged vehicles or by intentionally and covertly inflicting damage on the suspect's vehicle(s). Generally, law enforcement is not called to the scene of the accident.
- 18 Collision orchestrated by organized criminal activity involving attorneys, doctors, other medical professionals, office administrators and/or cappers.
- Medical provider inflates billing, knowingly submits bills with improper medical codes, misrepresents facts.

#### **Auto Property**

- Damages to vehicle exaggerated, non-existent, pre-existing, or vehicle damaged at a later point in time.
- Damages inflated or exaggerated, non-existent or pre-existing; excessive billing of vehicle body parts or repair work.
- 22 Vehicle or motor home theft.
- 23 Vehicle or motor home arson.
- Vehicle or motor home vandalism including such items as car rims, stereo equipment, and engine parts.
- Policy backdated prior to loss date and/or theft of premium dollars intended for payment of coverage.
- 26 Embezzlement of funds.
- Watercraft stolen or damaged while being transported on trailer.
- Arson of a watercraft while transported on trailer.
- Any other auto-related circumstance not listed above involving the presentation of false documents as proof of insurance.

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#### **Medical/Health**

- 30 Suspicious slip/fall claim.
- Non-auto injury reported by insured and/or claimant; medical assistance was reported.
- 32 Inflated billing by any medical facility, doctor, chiropractor, laboratory, etc.
- Disability claim submitted against disability insurance policy while claimant on permanent or temporary disability and receiving continual benefits and/or vocational benefits and/or claimant reported working or performing activities exceeding alleged physical limitations.
- 34 Foreign object found within food/drink products.
- Pharmacist or pharmacy inflates bills or falsifies billing; person illegally obtains medical prescriptions and submits prescriptions for habitual need.
- 36 Dentist or dental office inflates bills or falsifies billing codes.
- 37 Embezzlement of funds.

#### Life

- 40 Questionable circumstances surrounding reported death; staged death/false identity.
- 41 Other life insurance claim-related fraud not described by other Life category code.
- 42 Suspicious or questionable actions by applicant or policyholder (insured's health misrepresented on application; suspicious timing of application in relation to insured's death); potential for monetary gain from life insurance policy. Include suspicious claims involving murder for profit and claims pertaining to viatical settlements.

### **Workers' Compensation**

- 50 Suspicious employee applicant claim.
- 51 Employer committing illegal act against employee(s).
- 52 Legal provider inflates billing or materially misrepresents the facts.
- 53 Medical provider inflates billing, knowingly submits bills with improper medical codes, misrepresents facts.
- 54 Pharmacy inflates bills or falsifies codes.
- Any situation dealing with a Workers' Compensation claim that is not described by any other Workers' Compensation category code.
- Facts are misrepresented in order to obtain Workers' Compensation insurance at a reduced premium, rate or cost.
- 57 Embezzlement of funds.
- 58 Uninsured Employers.

#### Other

- Casualty, injury or theft that does not pertain to other fraud code definitions.
- Suspicious loss or damage incurred to agricultural products and/or livestock not caused by acts of nature.

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### **Fire**

- 70 Suspicious commercial/business fire damage.
- 71 Suspected arson for hire.
- 72 Suspicious residential fire damage.
- 73 Inflated claims from fire loss.

## **Property**

- 80 Suspicious residential theft.
- 81 Suspicious commercial business theft.
- 82 Insured reports baggage/cargo lost by commercial carrier (airline, bus, train, vessel).
- 83 Theft or damage to watercraft/aircraft while not on a trailer.
- 84 Arson of watercraft/aircraft while not on a trailer.
- 85 Property damage not included in other definitions.
- Vandalism or malicious mischief to the interior or exterior of business or residence.
- 87 Suspicious theft of personal property while stored in a vehicle or motor home (commonly claimed under a homeowner's insurance policy).
- Policy backdated prior to loss date and/or theft of premium dollars intended for payment of coverage.
- 89 Mold related.

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## **APPENDIX D. Form FD-1 Suspected Fraudulent Claim Referral**

- The next page is reference information only. Do not include with submitted referral. Use it to assist in correctly coding Pages 19-21, but **do not include page 18** when reporting to CDI.
- The final three pages contain a camera-ready version of the Form FD-1 suitable for offset printing or photocopying. This is used to report suspected fraudulent claims. **Please submit single sided copies only.**

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Miscellaneous Casualty Agricultural / Livestock	60 61
Fire Commercial Fire Arson for Hire Residential Fire Inflated Fire Loss	70 71 72 73
Property Theft – Residential Theft – Commercial Theft – Commercial Carrier Watercraft / Aircraft Theft Watercraft / Aircraft Arson Vandalism Property Theft From Vehicle Agent / Broker	80 81 82 83 84 86 87 88
Other Property Damage Mold Related	85 89

Reporting Party Code	
Carrier / Licensed Insurer Private Sector Self-Insured Public Sector Self-Insured Third Party Administrator	01 02 03 04
State Fund (SCIF) District Attorney's Office Law Enforcement Agency Incoming CDI Hotline Call	05 06 07 08
(CDI Use Only) Other CDI Information Source (CDI Use Only)	09
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Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, Yuba		
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